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Please amend the newly submitted application described above as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

In claim 3, line 1, please delete --oder 2--

In claim 4, line 1, please delete --einem der vorhergehenden Anspruche dadurch gekennzeichnet-- and insert "Anspruch 1"

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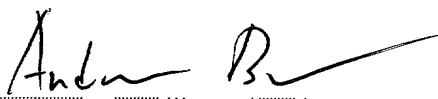
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REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are primarily for the purpose of eliminating multiple dependencies, and placing the claims in proper form.

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Optical Apparatus

The invention is based on an optical apparatus (binoculars, camera and the like) for the optical detection of objects (geographical locations, persons, vehicles, and the like), whose identifying data are stored in satellite-aided transmission systems. This optical apparatus is intended to contain a component for the optical fine focusing on such an object viewed via a target line. Target line is defined here as the axis between apparatus and object, which is defined, of course, with reference to the compass direction into which the apparatus is pointed, but also by how far the apparatus is rotated above or below horizontal. Furthermore, this apparatus is intended to contain a component to detect the distance between apparatus and the object, which may be done with optical or other means, where the display of the distance is to consist of data, such as electronic data, that can be processed further. Furthermore, the apparatus is to contain a measurement unit to detect the angle of incline between global identification lines, such as magnetic identification lines, and the target line. Furthermore, the apparatus is to contain a receiving unit to receive signals from satellites, and it is to contain a computer for data processing, which can process the distance data described above, data regarding the angle of incline, satellite signals as well as the data of the satellite-aided transmission systems or their storage. Then there is also an information display for the targeted display of data regarding the object, where the desired result of the computation is displayed automatically, for example as data from the satellite-aided transmission system, such as is well known in the case of locating, orienting and navigating of persons or vehicles with such satellite-aided transmission systems.

For a known optical apparatus of this type (DE-OS 43 12 310), the objects are detected by the computer using the data of a satellite navigation system and the compass heading and their identification is "verified cognitively". This is achieved by the intersection of two vectors, specifically first the heading vector of the compass and second the location vector of the satellite system. The disadvantage of this apparatus consists of requiring a subsequent check of the information data and the object, because there is no reliable designation.

However, the computer of this invention processes also the distance value, which may vary with fine focus, and its program is designed such that data regarding the currently selected object will appear on the information display after fine focusing. The advantage here is primarily the clean and reliable designation of information data for the object, such as a village, a specific person or a specific vehicle. Thus, such an apparatus can be used in many applications, such as in research or exploration projects, but also in emergencies and last but not least by the military, where errors may have particularly grave results.

In an advantageous embodiment of the invention, the computer works exclusively with electronic inputs.

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In an additional advantageous embodiment of the invention, the display consists of a display unit with an LCD (liquid crystal display) with transparent electrodes on the display surface.

An additional advantageous embodiment of the invention uses a printer as the display to print out the results.

An additional advantageous embodiment of the invention uses an apparatus to process the data into acoustical signals and a loudspeaker as the display.

An additional advantageous embodiment of the invention uses binoculars as the basic apparatus. The viewing area of these binoculars may then include a display such that the viewer learns the identity of the object immediately after focusing on the object.

An additional advantageous embodiment of the invention uses a navigation satellite system for the location determination of the optical apparatus. Such systems are known, specifically to locate, for example, persons and vehicles for navigation within urban areas. In an additional advantageous embodiment of the invention, the measurement unit cooperates with a compass to detect the azimuth angle between the target line and the North-South direction.

An additional advantageous embodiment of the invention uses a height-measuring device to detect the elevation angle between the target line and the horizontal and/or the vertical.

Other advantages and advantageous embodiments of the invention may be derived from the claims.

All of the characteristics shown in the description and the following claims may be essential to the invention by themselves or in any possible combination with each other.

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Claims

1. Optical apparatus (binoculars, camera and the like) for the optical detection of objects (geographical locations, persons, vehicles, and the like), whose identifying data are stored in satellite-aided transmission systems,
 - with an apparatus for optical fine focusing of such an object viewed along a target line,
 - with an apparatus to detect the distance to the object,
 - with a measuring device to detect the angle of incline from global data lines to the target line,
 - with a receiver to receive satellite signals,
 - with a computer to process data, including distance, angle of incline, satellite signals, and the data of the satellite-aided transmission system, and
 - with a display for the specific display of data relating to the object,characterized by the features that
 - the computer processes also the distance value, which varies with fine focusing, and
 - the identification data for the object in question will appear on the display as an intentional output of the program.
2. Apparatus according to Claim 1, characterized by having the computer work exclusively with electronic inputs.
3. Apparatus according to Claim 1 or 2, characterized by using a navigation satellite system to determine the position.
4. Apparatus according to one of the preceding claims, characterized by having the measurement unit cooperate with a compass to detect the azimuth angle between the target line and the North-South direction.
5. Apparatus according to one of the preceding claims, characterized by having the measurement unit cooperate with a height-measuring device to detect the elevation angle between the target line and the horizontal and/or the vertical.
6. Apparatus according to one of the preceding claims, characterized by having a display that consists of an LCD (liquid crystal display) with transparent electrodes on the display surface.
7. Apparatus according to one of the preceding claims, characterized by using a printer as the display to print out the data.
8. Apparatus according to one of the preceding claims, characterized by using a sound-producing apparatus and a loudspeaker to process the data into audible signals.

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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to an optical device, such as a telescope, a camera or the like, which comprises a computer. Said optical device receives data from a satellite navigation system and measures a horizontal or vertical angle of the visible line of sight and the distance from the object in order to indicate the characteristic data of the object after the positioning thereof.

(57) Zusammenfassung: Es wird ein optisches Gerät, wie beispielsweise ein Fernrohr, eine Kamera od. dgl., vorgeschlagen, welches einen Rechner aufweist, mit dem Daten eines Satellitennavigationssystems eine Horizontal- bzw. Vertikal-Winkelmessung der Sichtziellinie und die Objektentfernung erfasst werden, um nach Positionierung des Objekts deren Kenndaten anzuzeigen.

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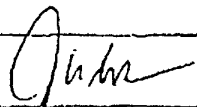
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